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METHOD OF MAKING A GOLF BALL PRODUCT WITH A COVER MADE FROM FAST-CURING REACTION INJECTION MOLDED POLYURETHANE

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In order to correct certain typographical errors and to support a request for a declaration of interference with U.S. Patent No. 6,290,614, please enter the following amendment:

On page 7, please replace the paragraph at lines 2-9 with the attached Replacement Paragraph.

On page 20, please replace the paragraph at lines 13-14 with the attached Replacement Paragraph.

Please replace the paragraph on page 23, line 25 to page 24, line 7 with the attached Replacement Paragraph.

For the purpose of instituting an interference with U. S. Patent No. 6,290,614, please add the following new claims:

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-- 16. A method of producing a golf ball having a

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cover including a polyurethane, said method comprising:

providing a first reactant which is an isocyanate;

providing a second reactant selected from the

group consisting of a polyol, a polyamine, and

combinations thereof;

heating said first reactant to a temperature of from about 80°F. to about 130°F.;

heating said second reactant to a temperature of from about 80°F. to about 150°F.;

mixing said first reactant and said second reactant
together;

providing a molding assembly defining a molding cavity and having a golf ball component positioned within said molding cavity;

introducing said first reactant and said second reactant into said molding cavity; and

forming a cover layer about said golf ball component from said first reactant and said second reactant, thereby producing said golf ball.

- 17. The method of claim 16 wherein said second reactant is a polyol.
- 18. The method of claim 16 further comprising: heating said molding assembly to a temperature of about 140°F. to 170°F.
 - 19. The method of claim 16 further comprising: adding a density-increasing filler to at least one of said

first reactant and said second reactant.

20. A golf ball produced by the method comprising the steps of:

providing a first reactant which is an isocyanate;

providing a second reactant selected from the group

consisting of a polyol, a polyamine, and combinations thereof;

heating said first reactant to a temperature of from about 80°F. to about 130°F.;

heating said second reactant to a temperature of from about 80°F. to about 150°F.;

mixing said first reactant and said second reactant together;

providing a molding assembly defining a molding cavity and having a golf ball component positioned within said molding cavity;

introducing said first reactant and said second reactant into said molding cavity; and

forming a cover layer about said golf ball component from said first reactant and said second reactant, thereby producing said golf ball. --

<u>REMARKS</u>

The first full paragraph of page 7 has been amended to change "until" to -- under -- in line 5.

The paragraph on page 20, lines 13-14 has amended to change "ration" to -- ratio --.

The paragraph bridging pages 23 and 24 has been amended